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Letter dated 17 September 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter dated 11 July 2012 addressed to you, regarding the continuing abuses by Turkey of international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus (A/66/868-S/2012/536), I transmit herewith the recorded violations committed during the month of May 2012 (see annex). I have the honour to draw your attention to the systematic abuses by Turkey of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus by blatantly violating international law and air traffic regulations in a way that seriously jeopardizes international aviation safety in the greater region.

I would be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 43, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Nicholas **Emiliou**
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Annex to the letter dated 17 September 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
2 May 2012	1144-1205	One C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering Nicosia flight information region (FIR), 5 nm east of point DOREN, and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia area control centre (ACC).
	1657-1711	One C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting 5 nm east of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
3 May 2012	0917-0957	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1331-1545	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
4 May 2012	1445-1530	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1435-1705	One unknown Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
7 May 2012	0950-1158	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1530-1630	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
8 May 2012	1145-1300	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1141-1158	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 35 nm west of point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

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	0942-1137	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 50 nm east of point VESAR and exiting 47 nm east of point VESAR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1015-1130	Four F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 55 nm east of point VESAR and, after flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 9,000 ft and 28,000 ft, exited from 55 nm east of point VESAR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1356-1558	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1535-1600	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point 48 nm west of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
9 May 2012	0956-1115	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1007-1205	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1103-1123	One B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 5 nm east of point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1403-1510	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from point MAGIS and exiting from the same point without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1504-1518	One B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point 5 nm east of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1317-1618	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
10 May 2012	1025-1130	Two Cougar Turkish military helicopters violated international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1848-2020	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
11 May 2012	0943-1035	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
14 May 2012	1144-1202	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 15 nm east of point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1535-1600	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1252-1400	Two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 40 nm east of point VESAR, then flying within the Nicosia FIR and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus until exiting 25 nm east of point VESAR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
15 May 2012	0938-1056	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1453-1630	One Huey Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1745-2045	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1850-2014	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

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16 May 2012	0950-1146	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1152-1210	One C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR 15 nm east of point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1319-1412	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from point KERIS and exiting from point ALKIS without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1653-1710	One C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
17 May 2012	0926-1003	Two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 17 nm east of point VESAR, by flying within the Nicosia FIR and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC and by approaching an Italian G222 (call sign: IAM 447) flying at 19,000 ft. They exited 36 nm east of point VESAR.
18 May 2012	0838-1040	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
22 May 2012	1022-1125	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by entering the Nicosia FIR from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1128-1356	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from point KERIS and exiting from point ALKIS without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1258-1411	Two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 10 nm east of point VESAR. Then, by flying within the Nicosia FIR and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC, carried out combat air patrol within the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus while tracking a French Atlantique plane (call sign: FNY 5110). They exited 40 nm east of point VESAR.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	1258-1354	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting 33 nm west of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting Nicosia ACC.
	1648-1710	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by entering Nicosia FIR 20 nm west of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
23 May 2012	0816-0835	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1328-1347	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting Nicosia ACC.
	1034-1041	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR 23 nm east of point DOREN and exiting 15 nm east of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1340-1450	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0823-1309	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR and specifically flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 700 ft and 4,500 ft, without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC. While on the backtrack leg, it again violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.
	1052-1341	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0823-1309	Two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 25 nm east of point DOREN and, after flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 400 ft and 700 ft, exited without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

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	1520-1547	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
24 May 2012	0925-1300	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and the international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR and specifically flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 1,400 ft and 4,600 ft, without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC. While on the backtrack leg, it again violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.
	0947-1415	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1218-1322	One S-70 Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 17 nm west of point TOMBI and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1212-1239	One S-70 Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1507-1615	One S-70 Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point TOMBI without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1513-1530	One S-70 Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1515-1533	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	2141-2204	One CN-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR from point VESAR and exiting from point BALMA without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

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25 May 2012	0921-1156	One unknown Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations by taking off from a sea vessel and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0306-0334	One CN-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR from point BALMA and exiting from point VESAR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0955-1015	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
28 May 2012	1000-1042	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by entering from 20 nm east of point VESAR and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC until exiting 50 nm east of point VESAR.
	1005-1057	Two F-4 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 28 nm west of point DOREN and, after flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 5,500 ft and 28,800 ft, exited from point VESAR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1036-1055	One C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering the Nicosia FIR from 12 nm east of point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1150-1202	One C-130 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting from point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	1558-1707	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
29 May 2012	1215-1316	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by entering from point MAGIS and flying within the Nicosia FIR without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC until exiting 10 nm south of point EVENO.
	1408-1448	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.

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	1652-1715	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations by entering Nicosia FIR from point DOREN and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
30 May 2012	0929-1320	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR and specifically flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 1,400 ft and 4,600 ft, without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC. While on the backtrack leg, it again violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.
	1005-1057	Two Cougar Turkish military helicopters violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
31 May 2012	0802-0908	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR until exiting 25 nm east of point DOREN without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0822-1023	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0952-1150	One Cougar Turkish military helicopter violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC.
	0940-1320	One CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and international air traffic regulations by flying within the Nicosia FIR and specifically flying over the southern segment of the Cyprus exclusive economic zone at altitudes of between 1,400 ft and 4,600 ft, without diplomatic permit or contacting the Nicosia ACC. While on the backtrack leg, it again violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.